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In re Application of: Patricia A. Keaton et al.
Serial No.: 10/045,640 Examiner: Gregory M. Desire
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Title: IMAGE AND VIDEO INDEXING SCHEME
FOR CONTENT ANALYSIS

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action of December 1, 2004, and is timely filed with a one month extension.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-26 are pending in the present application. Claims 1-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being unpatentable in view of Swanson et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,987,459). No new claims have been added. Claims 1-4, 6, 8, 10-13, 15-21, 23, and 25 have been amended. Claims 5, 9, 14, 22, and 26 have been deleted. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims. Applicants respectfully contend that the differences between the claimed invention and the cited reference are such that the claimed invention is patentably distinct over the cited reference.